New Policy for VIP Security

1427. SHRI K.C. KONDAIAH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering for adopting new policy for security of VIPs where in some of them are being deprived of and also Government accommodation, etc.;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken/proposed to be taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) to (c) The system of security and the issues related thereto have been reviewed by the Government and the 'New Policy on Security of Individual' has been announced on 7.2.2000. the main changes which have been made in the policy on security include—(i) changing the nomenclature of VIP security to personal security; (ii) security will be provided on the basis of assessment of threat made by Security Agencies and threat should predominantly come from militants/terrorists; (iii) MHA will not recommend allotment or retention of Government accommodation on security considerations in any case; (iv) periodical review of security every six months; and (v) making security unobtrusive etc. Instruction for the implementation of the new policy have been issued.